

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending in the present application.

In the Office Action mailed 03/03/2006, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4 on the grounds of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-17 of Attar et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,757,520). Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer to obviate the basis for rejecting claims 1-4.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

Specification

Applicants provide herewith amendments to the specification. The amendments to the specification are made by presenting marked up replacement paragraphs which identify changes made relative to the immediate prior version.

The changes made are primarily typographical or grammatical in nature, or involve minor clarifications of awkward wordings.

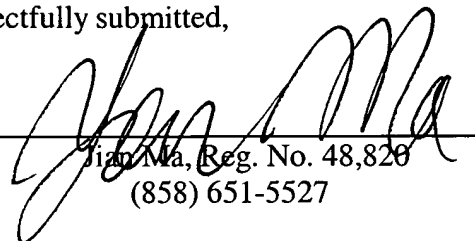
REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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